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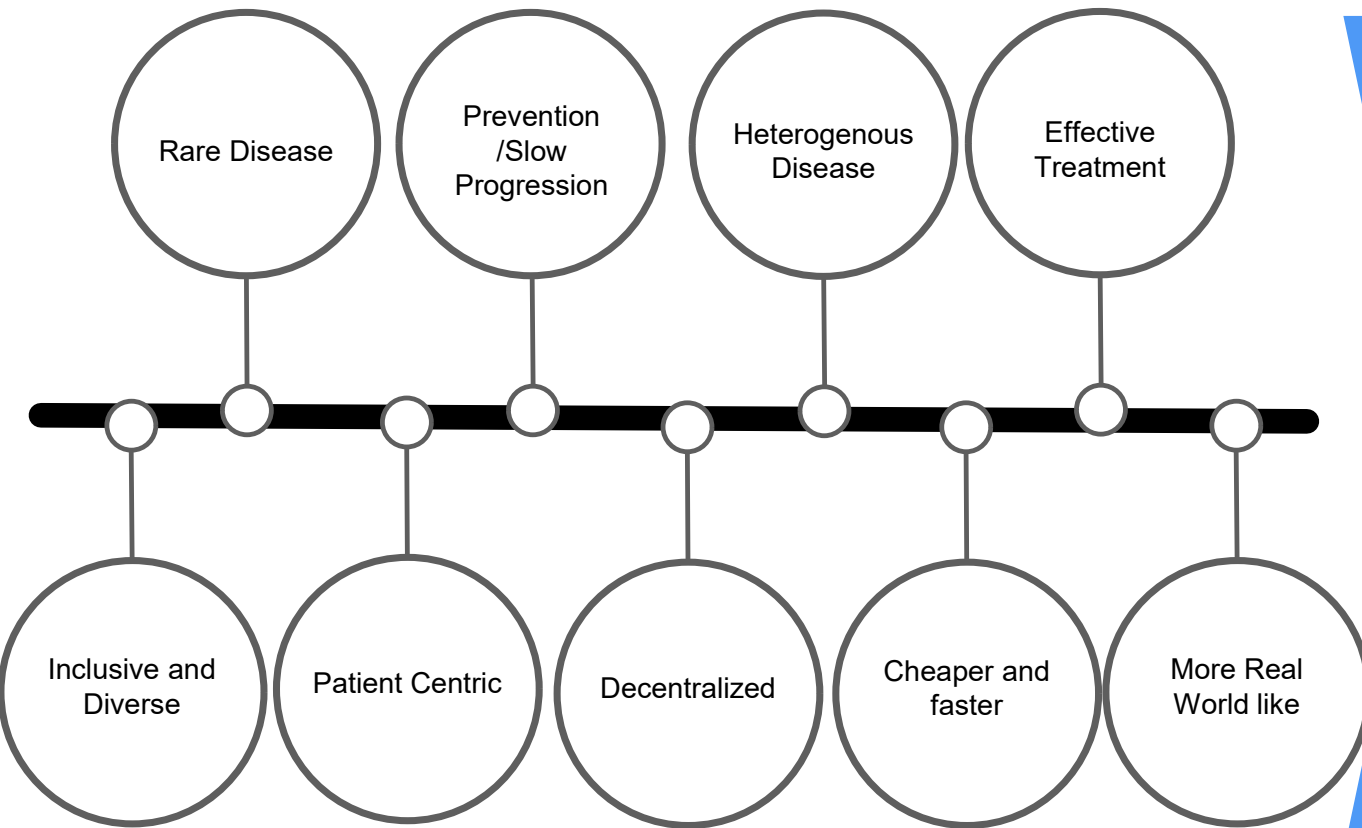
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A new generation of clinical trials calls for a new generation of endpoints



Digital Endpoint



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The validation of digital endpoint is a demanding, complex and risky endeavour



- Regulatory and Professional guidance exist
 - FDA, DIMEv3, etc...
- But the pathway for digital endpoint validation needs to be re-invented every time
- The bar (level of evidence) is high and requires multi-disciplinary engagement and coordination



Drug Development



Digital Endpoint Development



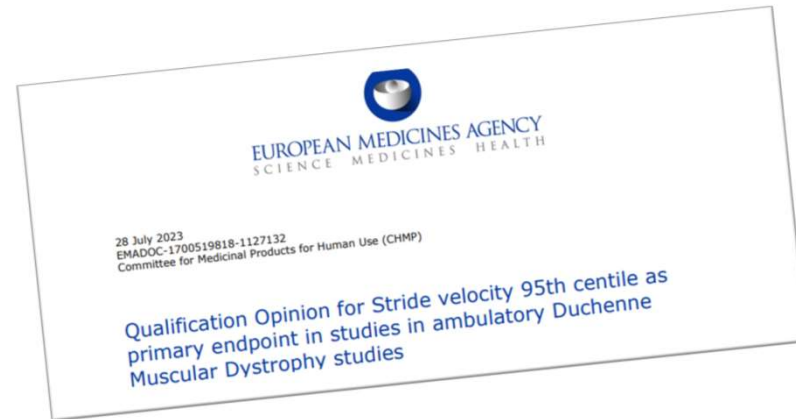
Biostatistician :

- Innovation and curiosity
- X-functional Communication
- System Thinking
- Analytical mindset
- Data Science
- Clinical data / Regulated Environment

**A complex endpoint validation process needs a rock solid foundation :
Precise and Reliable measurement**

The Roche – Sysnav Partnership

- Roche has formed a strategic partnership with Sysnav for the development of novel endpoint
- Match the right technology to the right clinical application



Media Releases

[Ad hoc announcement pursuant to Art. 53 LR] Roche announces EMBARK trial in Duchenne muscular dystrophy (DMD) did not reach primary endpoint, but shows positive efficacy outcomes on all timed functional key endpoints

prognostic factors for disease progression and loss of ability to walk. Additionally, a clinically meaningful and statistically significant improvement was also observed for the pre-specified secondary endpoint stride velocity 95th centile. This novel digital endpoint, qualified by the European Medicines Agency (EMA), measures speed of walking via a wearable device (Syde®). The time to ascend 4-steps secondary endpoint also demonstrated consistent treatment benefit in favour of Elevidys.

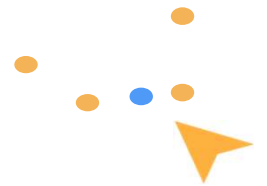
**TO BE CONTINUED,
MANY MORE TO COME ...**



From clinical research to clinical care



- ✓ **Improve treatment decisions** (e.g., start/stop/alter treatment, increase/decrease dose, etc.), especially as more therapies comes on to market or for add-on therapties
- ✓ Enable personalized medicine, by developing attainable **personal targets** & way to continuously monitor it
- ✓ Enabling smarter **payers' schemes**





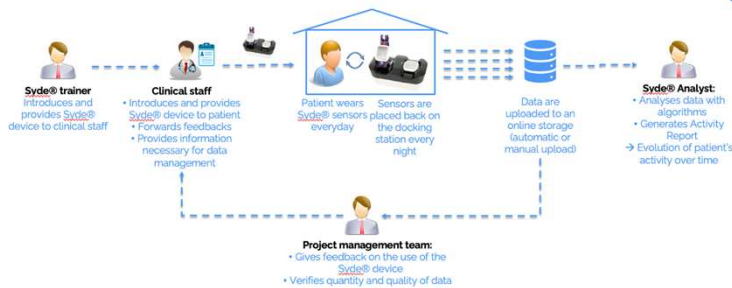
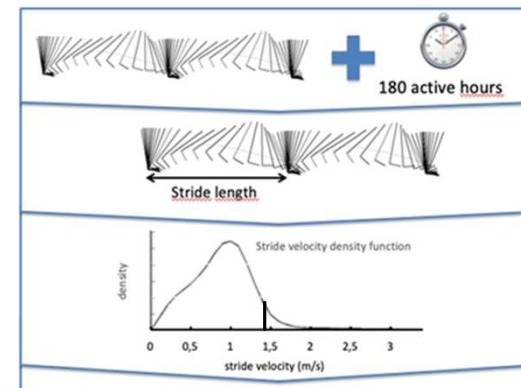
Before we go any further, a few definition on what is the SV95C

PATIENT PERSPECTIVE:
Passive monitoring measured at the ankle with a suitable wearable device



SV95C

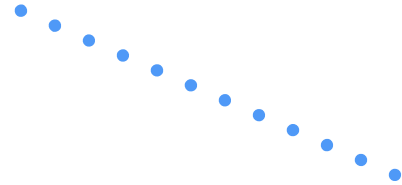
BIOSTAT PERSPECTIVE:
SV95C is an Clinical Outcome Measure, reflective of the top ambulatory performance, meaningful, reliable, and sensitive to change in DMD



CLINICAL OPERATION PERSPECTIVE:
Defining training strategy, monitoring compliance, ensuring data transfer, ...

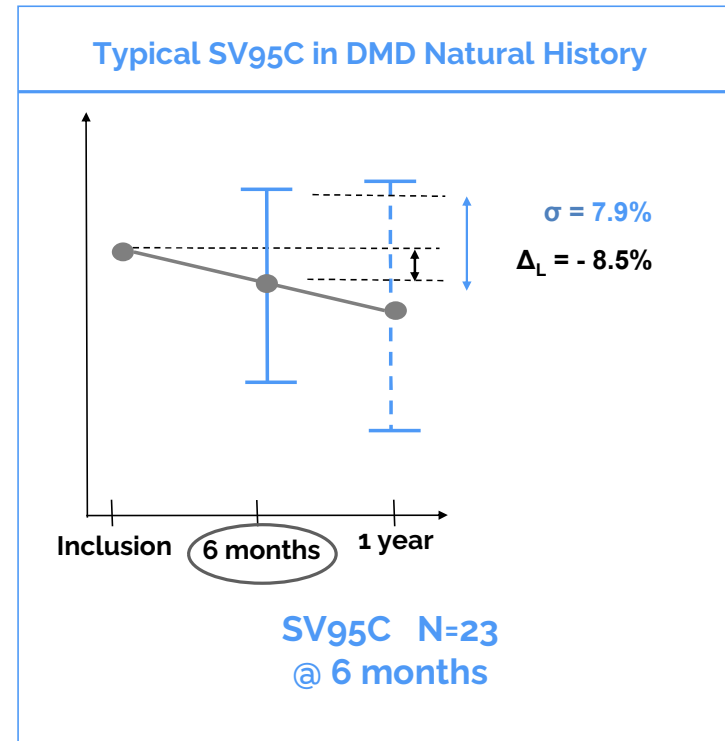
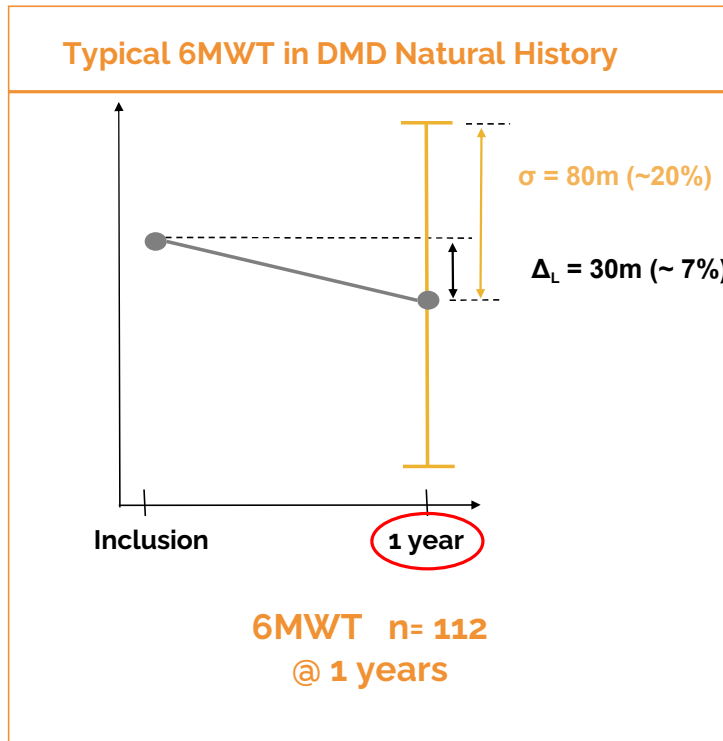


Measuring meaningful data





The power of digital endpoint: Number of patients needed in Duchenne Muscular Distrophy to power a trial with 6MWT and SV95C as primary outcome measure



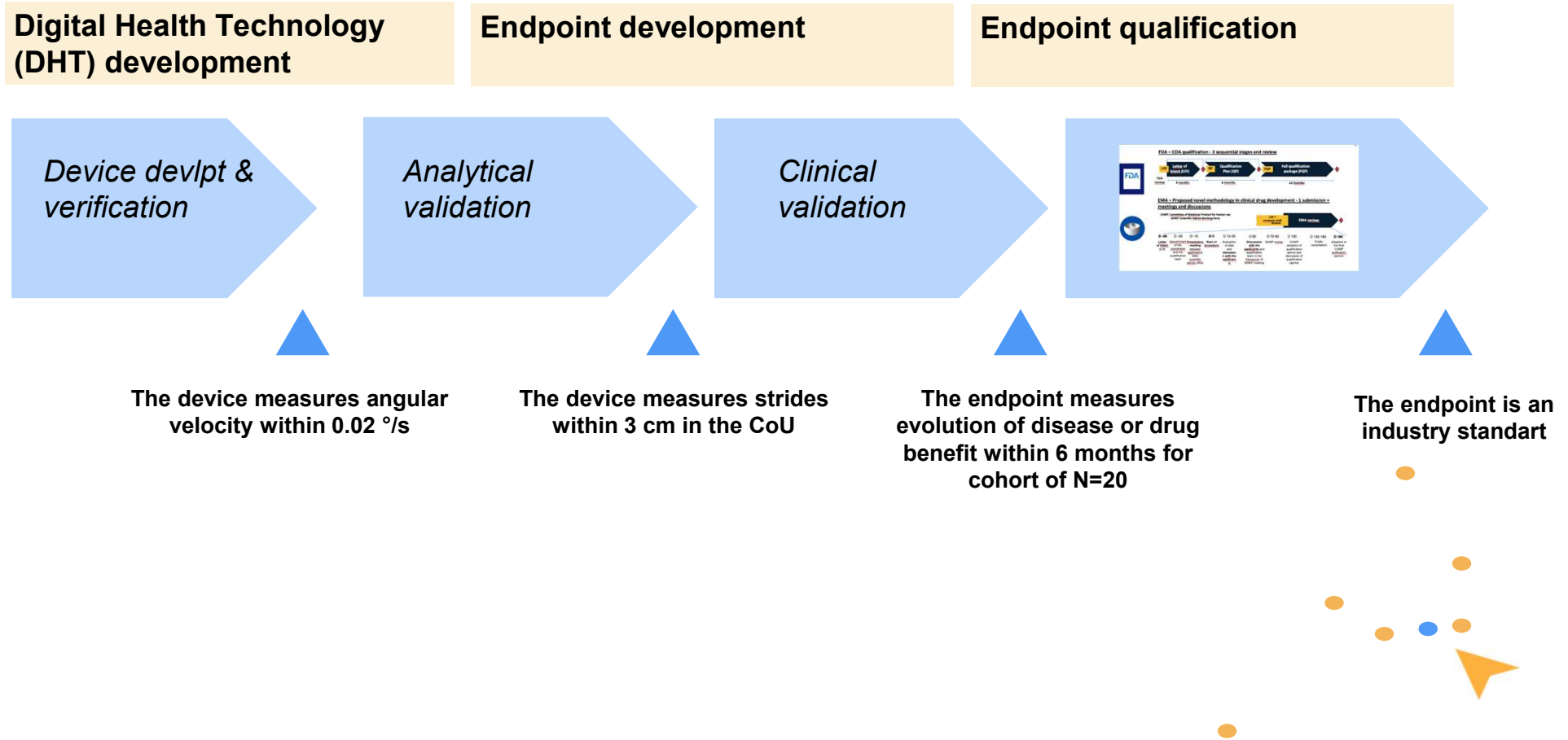
↑ Sensitivity to change
↓ Variability

$$n = \frac{2\sigma^2}{\Delta_L^2} (z_{1-\alpha} + z_{1-\beta})^2$$

Risk α = probability to wrongly conclude to treatment efficacy $\rightarrow \alpha : 5\%$ $Z = 1.96$
Risk β = probability to wrongly conclude to treatment inefficacy $\rightarrow \beta : 20\%$ $Z = 0.842$



The development requires to develop and validate a number of « sub-systems »



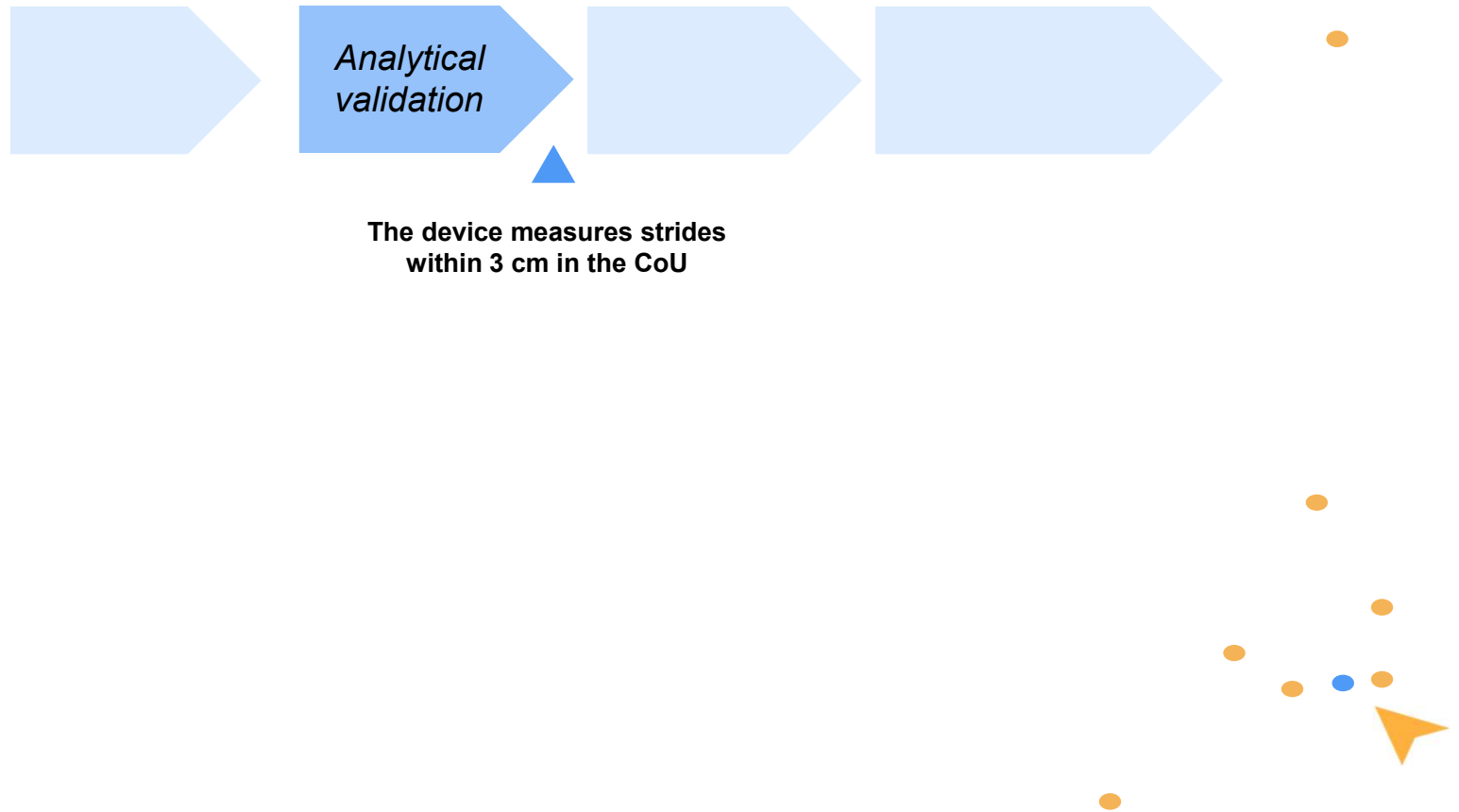


What can go wrong ?



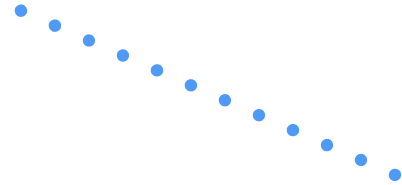


Error 1: Analytical validity everywhere ?





Error 1: The baby bottle experiment





Error 1: Precision of data acquisition system & analytical validity: If you ask the wrong question, you get the wrong answer !

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Tracking Steps on Apple Watch at Different Walking Speeds

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Question

How accurate are the step counts obtained from Apple Watch?

Findings

In this validation study, video steps vs. Apple Watch steps (mean ± SD) were 2965 ± 144 vs. 2964 ± 145 steps; $P < 0.001$. Lin's concordance correlation coefficient showed a strong correlation ($r = 0.96$; $P < 0.001$) between the two measurements. **There was a total error of 0.034% (1.07 steps) for the Apple Watch steps when compared with the manual counts obtained from video recordings.**

Error: 0.034%

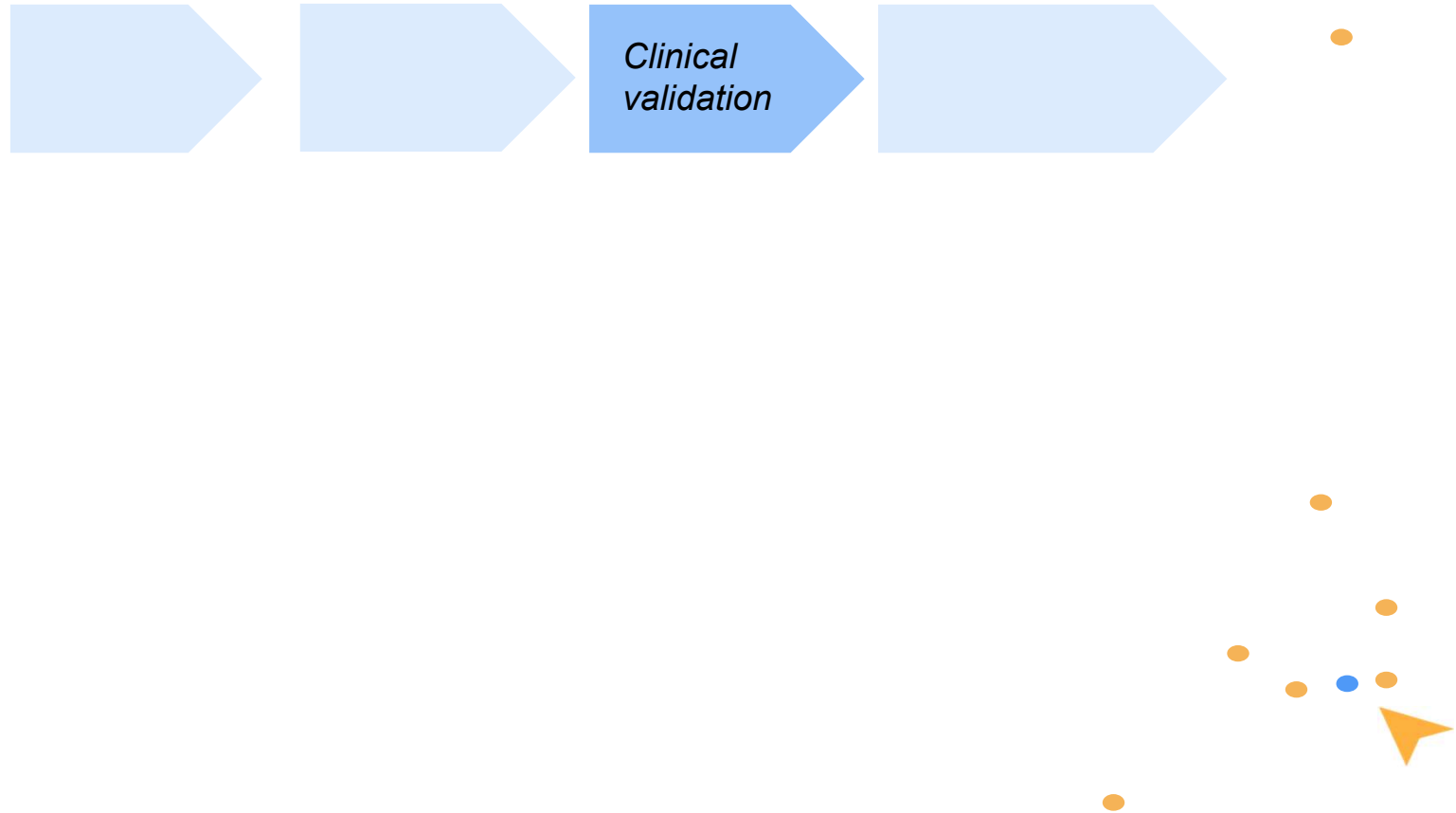
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Error: 100 %

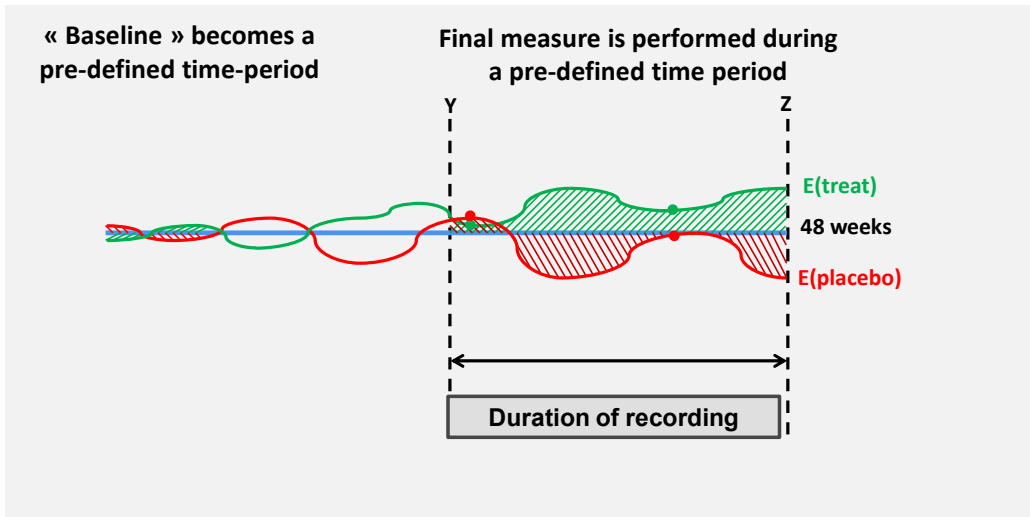


 Challenge 2: Defining the endpoint correctly

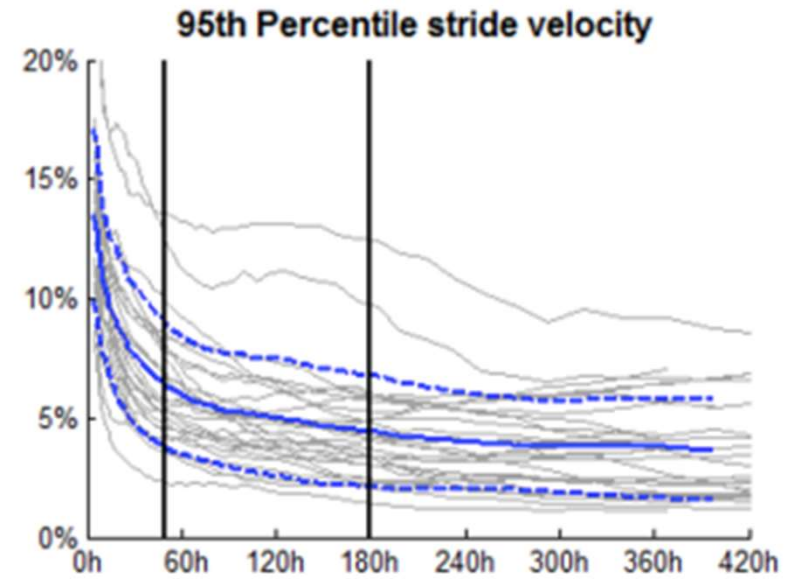




Challenge 2: Defining duration of recording period required new analytical methods, borrowed to electronics stability



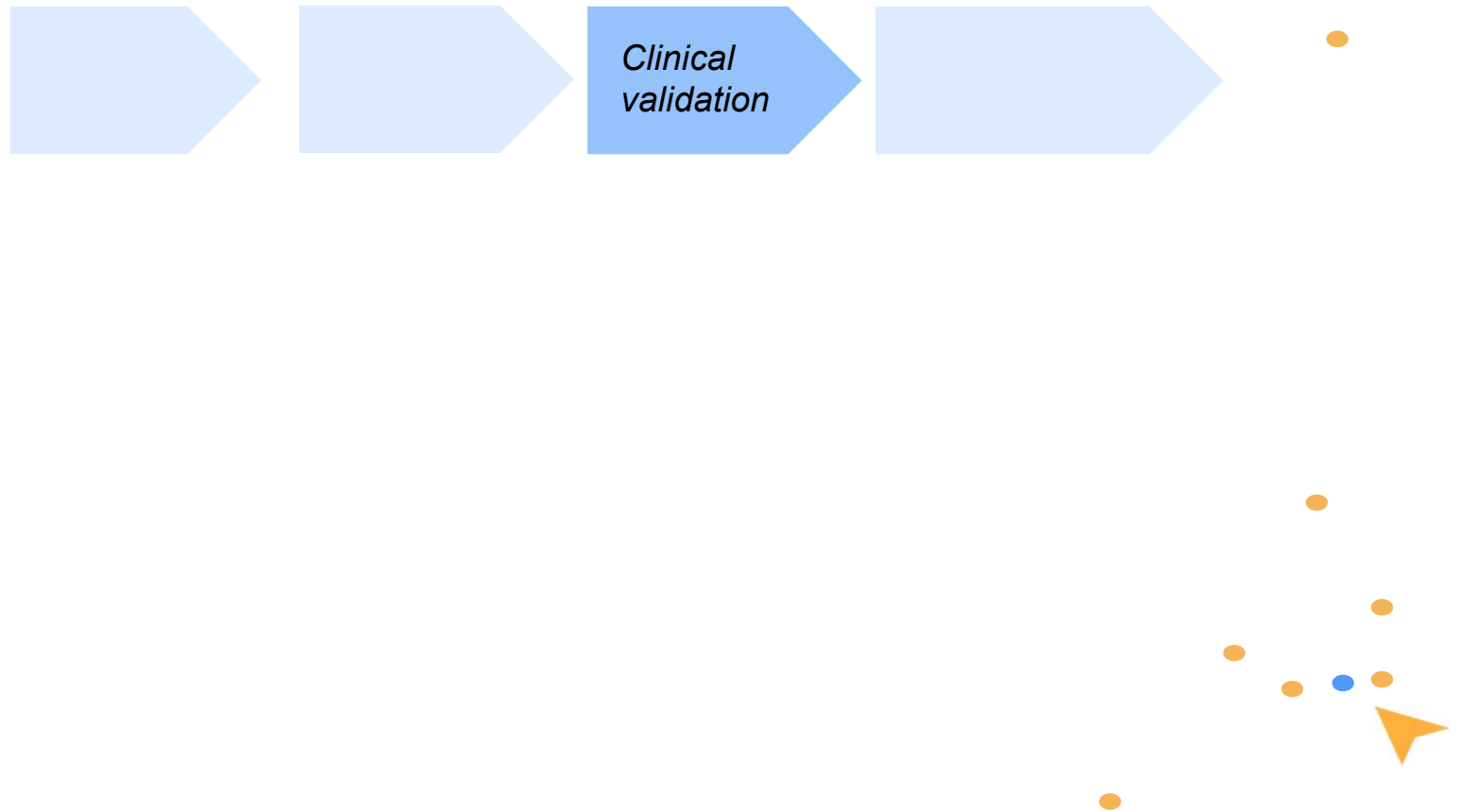
Variability



Duration of recording

A continuous variable will require to define new variables (like the duration) and new ways to analyze them (eg Allen Variance)

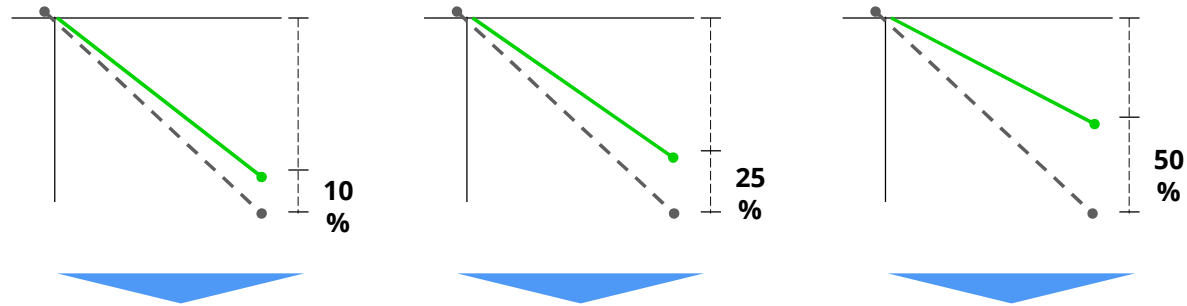
 Challenge 3: Not all endpoints are born equal





With the SV95C, we need 10-20 times less ALS patients to power a clinical trial compared to traditional gold standard

Expected efficacy of compound tested



Number of patients needed in a clinical trial (for a given drug efficacy expected & depending on primary endpoint selected)

Syde variable

stride_velocity_95	90	14	4
walked_distance_50	255	41	10

Gold standards

ALSFrs_tot	12116	1939	485
MRC	2075	332	83
	nb_patients	nb_patients	nb_patients

Expected evolution of patient

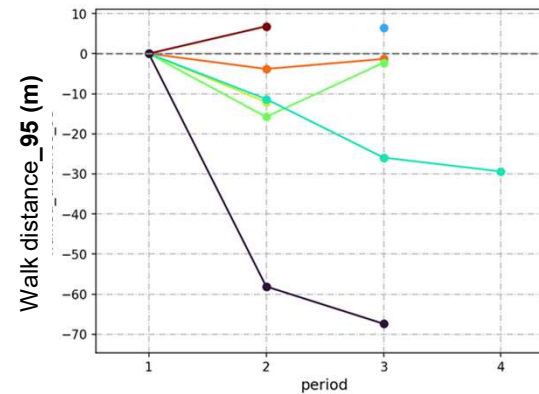
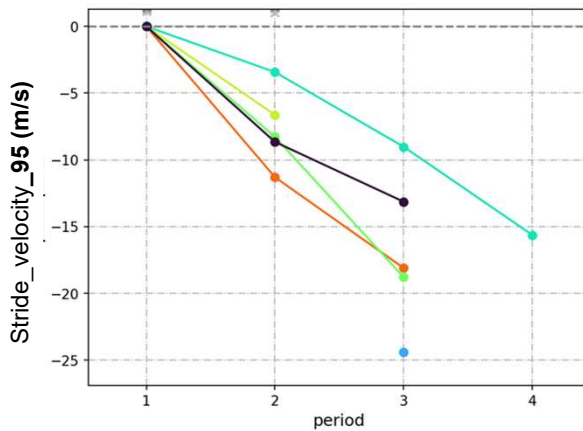
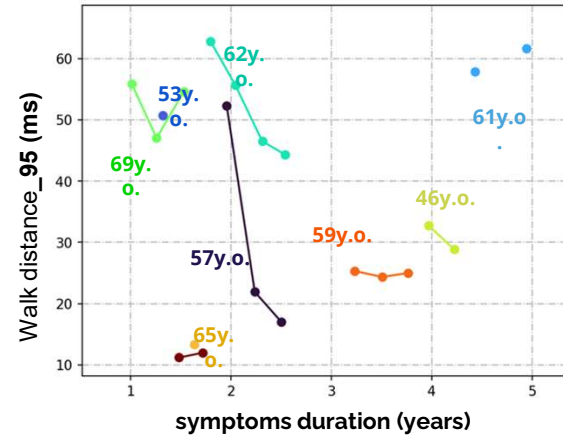
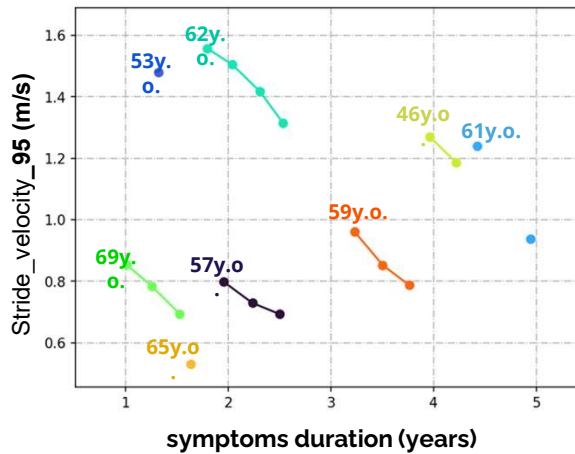
- ALS Natural History
- ALS post treatment

N: 10x

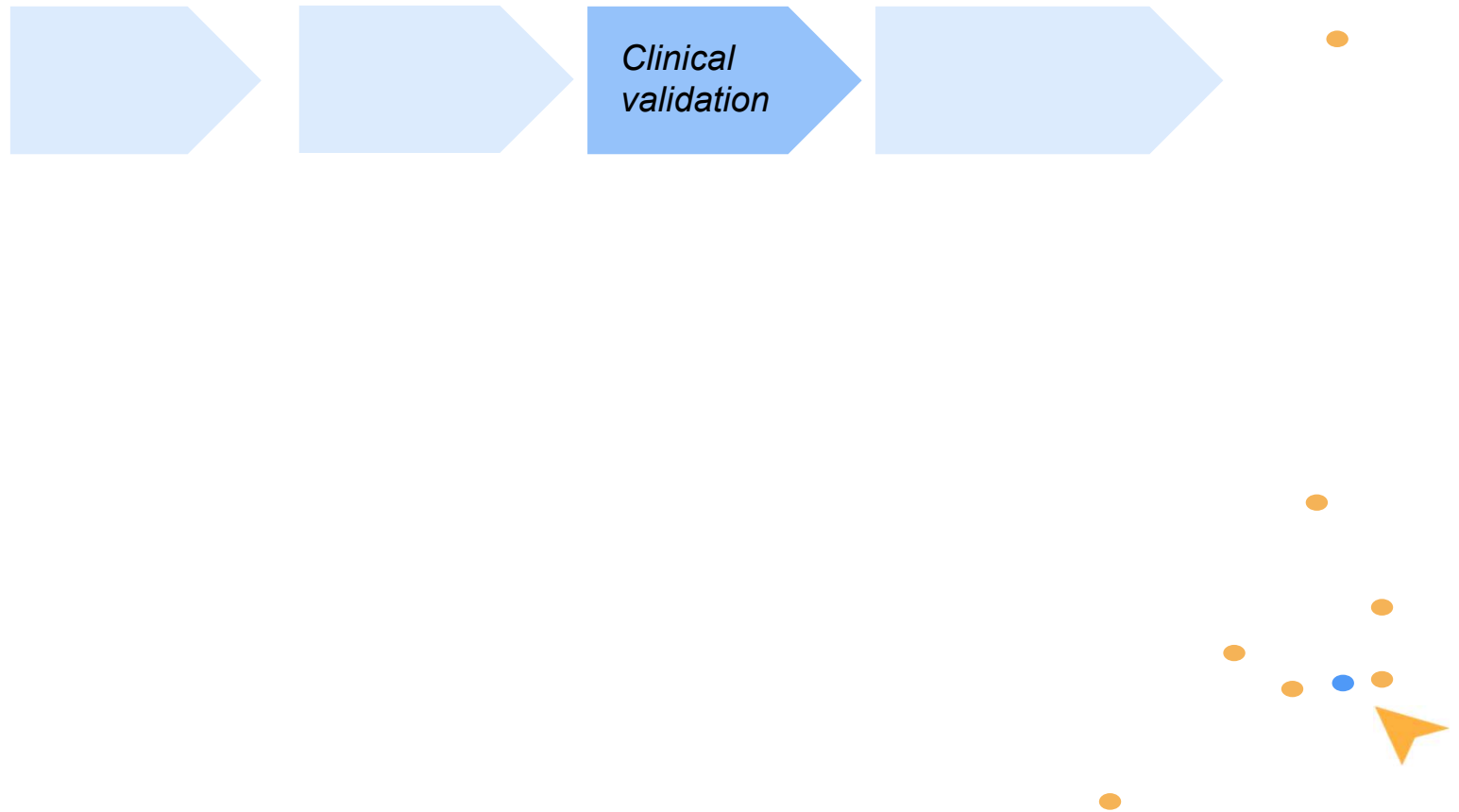


The SV95C is a very robust outcome, because does rely less on motivation & patient environment

Longitudinal evolution of untreated ALS patients measured with SV95C (left, in m/s) and their maximum walking perimeter (right in m)



 Challenge 3: Not all endpoints are born equal





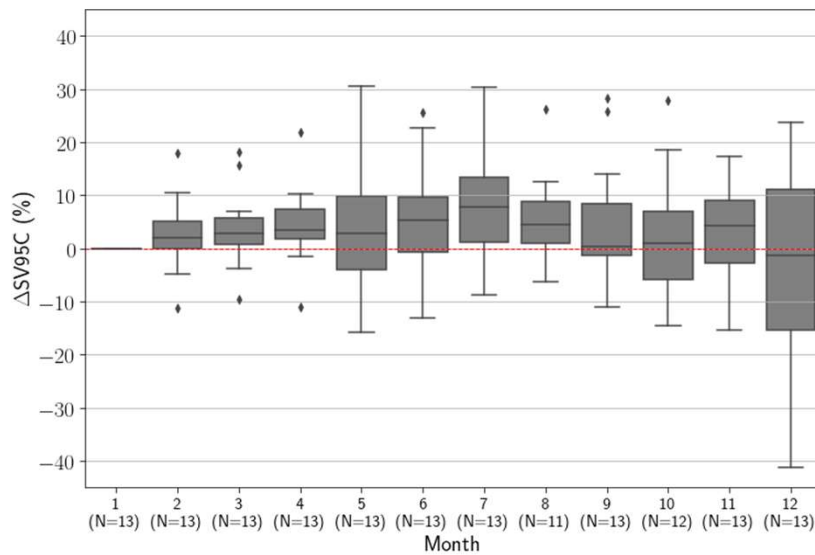
Challenge 4: having robust validation plan, dataset for development & others for validation will help you avoid pitfalls

Multi-variate model:

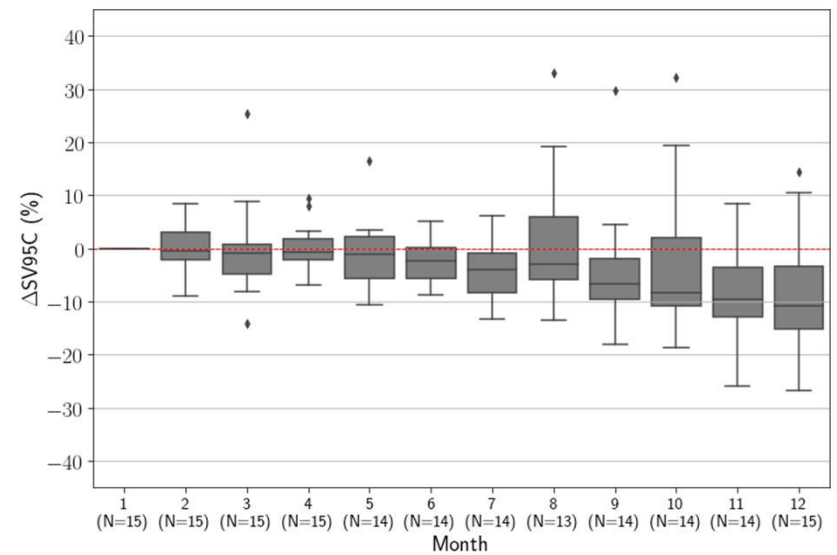
Age, disease progression, patient development, severity, different phenotypes, treatment adaptation, seasonality, treatment response,

DMD, a progressive disease ?

Young population [5-7]

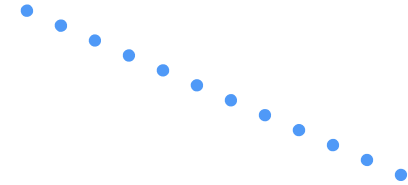


Old population [8-14]





We need the right skillset in the room to avoid missing the important verification & validation



Rolex

Frog watch



Tells time



Affordable



Frog





Digital biomarkers have the
potential to improve clinical
research

We need smart biostats to
develop new industry standards





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